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2003–2004 Survivorship Meetings At-A-Glance

Upcoming Meetings

On each date shown below, the Panel will hold a meeting with invited speakers during the day and an open town hall meeting in the evening. Meetings of the President's Cancer Panel are open to the general public. All are welcome to attend.

Survivorship Issues and Challenges Among Pediatric Cancer Survivors September 5, 2003, Denver, CO

Living Beyond Cancer: Challenges for Adolescent and Young Adult Survivors September 22, 2003, Austin, TX

Living Beyond Cancer: Meeting the Challenges of Adult Survivors

November 4, 2003, Birmingham, AL

Living Beyond Cancer: Meeting the Challenges of Older Adult Survivors

January 5, 2004, Philadelphia, PA

Who Will Participate

- Cancer survivors
- Family members and non-medical caregivers
- ♦ Health care providers
- Health systems specialists
- Advocates and community representatives
- ♦ Federal. State, and local officials
- Representatives of the Institute of Medicine's National Cancer Policy Board
- ♦ Insurance company representatives

How to Participate

- ♦ Provide testimony in person at a public meeting
- Provide written testimony before or after a meeting
- Attend and participate in an evening town hall meeting

Background

- The President's Cancer Panel has previously investigated both quality of and access to cancer care, including concerns regarding quality of life for cancer survivors
- Since many people diagnosed with cancer are expected to survive for years, the need for survivorship research continues to grow
- Survivorship is identified as an Extraordinary Opportunity in *The Nation's Investment in Cancer Research*, the National Cancer Institute's planning and budget document
- The 2004 Senate Appropriations Committee report supports aggressive expansion of the NCI Office of Cancer Survivorship's activities and urges the NCI to continue its work to expand the Office of Cancer Survivorship
- Defining the needs of survivors and developing recommendations to address them is an essential goal of the National Cancer Program

Discussion Topics

- Definitions and perceptions of cancer survivorship
- Age-specific services and resources for cancer survivors
- Resources and support that service providers need
- Post-treatment services and concerns
- Psychosocial support needs of cancer survivors
- Gaps in available services and resources
- ◆ Coordination of care for cancer survivors
- Gaps in survivorship research
- ♦ Economics of survivorship
- Effect of survivorship on education and occupations
- Policy issues related to stigma, discrimination, privacy, coordination of care, and scope of services and resources

For more information about this series of meetings, please visit the Panel's Web site at pcp.cancer.gov, or contact Karen Parker at the President's Cancer Panel, 301.451.9462, klparker@mail.nih.gov.